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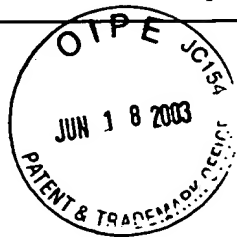
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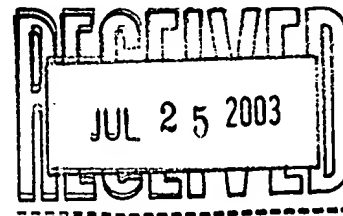
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) are the following documents:

1. Information Disclosure Statement;
2. Form PTO-1449 (1 page) listing 8 references;
3. eight (8) references; and
4. a Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

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In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicant does not believe any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees are required in the present application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing matter number 16222.004. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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It is respectfully requested that the information above be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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Because each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement has been submitted before the mailing of the first office action on the merits it is believed that no certification or fee is required.

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